

MEMORANDUM

NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

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MEMORANDUM FOR: DR. KISSINGER

FROM: MICHAEL A. GUHIN

THRU: ROBERT M. BEHR

SUBJECT: Secretary Rogers' Testimony on the Geneva Protocol

You will recall that, on January 9, 1970, you issued a memorandum (Tab A) stating that the President wishes to have the testimonies and Q&A guidelines for the (then upcoming) Geneva Protocol hearings submitted to the White House for review.

We have been participating in the interagency working group drafting the Q&A's from the beginning and see no problems with them.

With regard to the Secretary's testimony, we understand it was forwarded to him on Friday with only a lukewarm suggestion at most from the bureaucracy that it be submitted to the White House for review. At any rate, he is testifying on Friday (March 5) and we understand that he may be telephoning the President "to clear the broad outlines of his speech".

We have worked with State and Defense on some firm guidelines for these hearings and presumably the Secretary's statement has been drafted accordingly.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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January 9, 1970


MEMORANDUM FOR

THE SECRETARY OF STATE
THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
THE DIRECTOR, CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
THE DIRECTOR, ARMS CONTROL AND DISARMAMENT
AGENCY
THE DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
THE DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

SUBJECT: Statements for Congressional Hearings on the
Geneva Protocol and Chemical Warfare and
Biological Research Programs

The President has noted the Secretary of Defense's memorandum of December 9 concerning use of the term "Chemical and Biological Warfare." He notes that as directed by National Security Decision Memorandum 35, the term "Chemical and Biological Warfare (CBW)" will no longer be used and reference should be to the two categories separately -- chemical warfare program and biological research program -- in the preparation of all official statements and documents. Furthermore, in referring to other nations' programs, chemical warfare and biological activities of whatever nature should be differentiated and treated separately.

For the purposes of the upcoming Senate hearings on the Geneva Protocol and any other Congressional hearings on the subjects of chemical warfare and biological research programs, the President wishes to have final drafts of statements and question and answer guidelines by the departments and agencies submitted to the White House for review at least one week prior to the date of the hearing involved.


Henry A. Kissinger

cc: The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff